



Memorandum

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: Stephen M. Haase

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: September 29, 2003

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

SUBJECT: STREET RENAMING (ST03-009) OF THE SEGMENT OF GUADALUPE PARKWAY BETWEEN O'NEL DRIVE AND N. FIRST STREET TO CHARCOT AVENUE.

BACKGROUND

The City of San Jose has initiated the street renaming process to rename the northern segment of Guadalupe Parkway, between O'Nel Drive and N. First Street to the name Charcot Avenue.

ANALYSIS

The primary reason for the street renaming is to prevent two discontinuous street segments from having the same name. As a by-product of the construction of State Route 87, two separate street segments would have the name Guadalupe Parkway. The southern segment of Guadalupe Parkway, running from Coleman Avenue to Hedding Street, will retain that name.

A secondary benefit of the street renaming is that the renaming will designate a single street alignment with a single name. As proposed, Charcot Avenue would run from the SR 87 on-ramp in the west to Interstate 880 in the east.

The naming of this street has been reviewed for consistency with the attached City of San Jose Council Policy 6-5; *Street Naming and Street Name Change*. The criteria applicable to the naming of this private street are as follows:

- B. The names must meet with the approval of the County Communications Department and the US Post Office.*

Both of these organizations have reviewed and approved the extension of the existing name Charcot Avenue. The proposed name is simply an extension of an existing street alignment, and will not impair mail delivery or emergency service response.

- C. A public street continuing for some length in one general alignment shall have only one name.*

The proposed street renaming remedies an existing situation where a public street has two different names along its length.

- H. Individual property owners, when affected by a name change, are to be informed and be given an opportunity to be heard by the Planning Commission and the City Council.*

Only one company, BEA systems, has a building with a Guadalupe Parkway address along the segment where the name change is proposed. Notice was sent to BEA systems and Staff has been available for questions regarding the proposal since the notice was mailed.

Based on this analysis staff concludes that the proposed street name conforms to City Council Policy 6-5.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approve the proposed Street Name Change.

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Attachments